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SUMMARY: GNZ REQUESTS POSTPONEMENT OF PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING UNTIL CONFLICT IN PRIME MINISTER ROWLING'S SCHEDULE IS RESOLVED. END SUMMARY.

1. MFA HAS REQUESTED THAT PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ON ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING BE WITHHELD UNTIL CONFLICT IN PRIME MINISTER ROWLING'S SCHEDULE HAS BEEN RESOLVED. PROBLEM IS THAT ROWLING, AS MINISTER OF FINANCE UNDER LATE PRIME MINISTER KIRK, AGREED TO CHAIR NEXT MEETING OF ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (EXTREMELY IMPORTANT IN NEW ZEALAND SCHEME OF THINGS) IN MANILA WHICH UNFORTUNATELY FALLS IN SAME WEEKS AS ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING IN WASHINGTON. NEW ZEALANDERS, INCLUDING ROWLING, ARE ACUTELY AWARE THAT APRIL 24-25 ANZUS MEETING WAS FIXED AT THAT TIME SPECIFICALLY TO ACCOMMODATE NEW ZEALAND.
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2. A POSSIBLE WAY OUT OF THIS EMBARRASSING MIX-UP IS FOR DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER (AND FINANCE MINISTER) TIZARD TO GO TO MANILA AND ROWLING TO WASHINGTON. BUT THIS WOULD DRAW FIRE OF LEADER OF OPPOSITION MULDOON AND MAY NOT BE CHOSE FOR THIS REASON.

3. ROWLING IS MOST ANXIOUS TO GO TO WASHINGTON AS SCHEDULED AND WE ASSUME HE WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO BE THERE. MEANWHILE, DEPARTMENT REQUESTED NOT TO CHANGE PLANS FOR ROWLING VISIT TO WASHINGTON.

4. WILL CABLE FURTHER AS SOON AS MATTER IS RESOLVED.
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